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# WAR WILL BE LONG AND HARD, BUT WE'LL WIN, ROOSEVELT DECLARES

## Army Says Many Killed In Raids

N. Y., Boston  
Get 1st Score

WASHINGTON—(S N S)—The Army announced Tuesday that a number of persons were killed and injured in Tuesday morning's pre-dawn raid on Nichols Field, near Manila.

Manila's populace began its second day of war busily. Tuesday, with heavy traffic rolling through sunny streets and the markets jammed with food buyers.

Japanese troops struck with varied force over widespread areas. In Tokyo, the Japanese Navy's official spokesman asserted triumphantly that "the great initial success scored by the Japanese air and naval units" had upset the balance of United States and Japanese power in the Pacific.

### HIT SINGAPORE

The Japanese land forces were reported to have opened an attack on the area of Singapore, Britain's great "Gibraltar of the Far East." It appeared that the first aim of the powerful British naval stronghold.

No bombs were reported dropped by at least two squadrons of enemy planes which crossed the coastline west of San Jose during the night and scouted the entire Bay area and other sections of California. The Army said that in all probability an enemy aircraft carrier was lurking off the coast, perhaps 500 or 600 miles out.

### BLACKOUTS ORDERED

Blackouts were ordered along the entire Pacific coast, from San Diego through Sacramento to British Columbia cities, bringing war to the doorsteps of millions of Americans and Canadians who two days earlier had believed such a thing was virtually impossible.

In Berlin, there were rumors that the German Reichstag would meet Wednesday, to make known Germany's official stand on the American-Japanese war, possibly to declare war on the United States.

Japanese troops were reported to have seized Lubang Island, 50 miles off the entrance to Manila Bay in the Philippines. Imperial Tokyo headquarters were reported as announcing that Japanese warships and shelled tiny Midway Island, American possession 1,300 miles west of Honolulu. British reinforcements were being rushed to Northern Malaya as 25 Japanese troop transports attempted new landings in support of forces already engaged in bitter fighting.

The Japanese fleet in China waters announced the capture of the 10,500-ton American liner President Harrison and several hundred other vessels along the Chinese coast.

## Plasterers, Cement Finishers Open Up Office

With Mr. Joe Lewis as President, the Mississippi State Conference of the Operative Plasterers and Cement Finishers International Association have moved into their new office, located at 125 1-2 N. Parish Street, in the McCoy Building. From morning until night a steady stream of workers are seen going to and from, as evidence of much activity and interest.

Other officers of the local association are: James Turner, vice-president; James McManus, Meridian business manager; M. Travillion, financial secretary; Cyril McKenzie Meridian, corresponding secretary; and Wm. B. Harris, Columbus, chairman of the Board of Directors.

## Annual Grid Banquet Held At Tougaloo

The most talked about, long awaited and high-lighted social event of the season was held at Tougaloo College on Saturday evening, November 29. This was the annual Football Banquet and Dance. The event was the best and most colorful in the twilight of a beautiful fall evening. A grand program and a very tasty menu made the evening more enjoyable. The program was as follows:

Toastmaster, Earl Lewis; Referee, President Judson L. Cross; Time Out, Captain Ernest Braddock; Substitute, Captain-elect Bonnie Gardener; Fumbles, Co-Captain-elect John Hazel Brown; Touch-downs and How We Play the Game, Coach W. W. Williams.

A. Harrison Lenyard spoke in the absence of Co-Captain Walter Anthony.

Menu: Tomato Cocktail—Roast stuffed Chicken—Giblet Gravy—Duchess Potatoes—Cranberry Sauce—Cream Peas and Carrots—Hot Rolls—Butter. Pie a la Mode. Coffee—Cream.

Each player was given a beautiful souvenir of which many were autographed by senior fellows leaving.

After the banquet (7:30) the rest of the evening was spent in dancing in the gymnasium. The auditorium was decorated in beautiful Spanish Moss and twigs from the College forest. Seats were arranged around the dance floor, marked in such a manner so as to give a patriotic air, "air raid shelters," "blackouts," etc. Interesting signs had been hung around the walls of the gym asking for the court-martialing of certain players for playing such good football and breaking girls' hearts. The dance was informal, but very beautiful. The beautiful belles of Tougaloo were dressed in lovely evening gowns of many colors and styles, each wearing a lovely corsage of roses or carnations, while all the men were attired in dark suits. Music was furnished by "Duke" Huddleston.

## Reid, McGhee & Company Pioneering In FHA Homes For Low Income Colored People; Homestead Heights "Boom"

The development of Homestead Heights, Jackson's first all colored subdivision by Reid-McGhee and Company, one of the leading real estate firms in Jackson and Mississippi makes that company a pioneer in the field of FHA financing of home ownership for colored people in the lower income group.

Began only a few weeks ago, on property located in North Jackson, starting at Woodrow Wilson avenue and running north on Prosperity street, Homestead Heights has shown a steady growth and there has developed an increasing demand for home ownership among colored people of the city; the company having already sold fifteen of the homes which have been completed, is now beginning construction of thirty more which will make a total of forty-five, and officials of Reid-McGhee and company express themselves as being confident that the demand will make necessary that construction of a number far in excess of forty-five.

Contributing in no small way to the growing demand and future outlook of Homestead Heights are many heretofore unknown construction features to be found in the development; these features include a house with living room, dining room, bath room and kitchen, with built in bath tubs, built in kitchen cabinets, tile floor in bathroom and kitchen, electric chime door bells, and modern electric appliances. In electric outlets for the use of addition to which Homestead Heights has city water, city sewer-

age, city lights and gravel streets, line from Bailey Avenue as well as easy accessibility to the bus as North Mill Street.

To assure the permanence of the beauty of Homestead Heights building restrictions prevent the construction of unsightly out-houses and other such buildings. Offering for the first time in Jackson's history the opportunity for colored people of low income to buy their homes with FHA financing, these houses in Homestead Heights can be bought for a very small down payment, and with monthly payments that are less than the average rent now being paid by colored people. The monthly payments include taxes, fire insurance, interest and principal.

In order to meet the demand and for the convenience of those who desire to buy one of these houses Reid-McGhee and Company has established an office on Prosperity Street, in Homestead Heights, under the direction of Mr. A. L. Cotton, who will be glad to give all information and assistance to those who desire to buy one of these homes. Mr. Cotton's office will be opened at all hours during the day and the public is invited to inspect the houses as well as visit this office.

JOSHUA JONES  
By I. P. Reynolds

Brother Bell says some of the brothers rock their wives to sleep with rocks.

## Not An Interracial War, Gallagher Says

"This is not an interracial war, and it is important that the American people remember that," said President Euell G. Gallagher of Talladega College, in a statement issued from his office Tuesday. The Talladega, Alabama, educator appealed to Americans to bear in mind that the Chinese, Philippines, and numerous South Pacific native peoples are allies of the United States, even though the Japanese are our opponents.

"If history repeats itself," said Dr. Gallagher, "the experience of our participation in

World War I leads us to anticipate a sharp increase in race tension within our own borders before this present conflict ceases. By careful and intelligent effort, our newspapers, radio broadcasters, and churches can offset this fearful thing. We should constantly remind ourselves that Negro Americans are in the armed forces of our own nation, and that the advocates of racial autocracy are Mr. Hitler and his cohorts. Democracy involves racial democracy, and we must keep that in mind if we would maintain an America worth defending."

## Ruled Over Paine College In Augusta



The queens of the Paine College homecoming occasion with their attendants. Seated left to right are Miss Mary Edythe Jones, Miss Homecoming (Paine of Augusta, Ga.); Miss Geraldine Moody, "Miss Georgia State," of Savannah, Ga.; and Miss

Carolyn Cuthbert, "Miss Paine." Attendants include Misses Helen Cary, Nell Brewer, Maggie Young, Alice Williams, Gladys Wallace, Alethea Bates, Evelyn Carter and Annie Ruth Parrott.

## Tuskegee Prep Slain By College Rival For Pretty Coed's Hand

By CHIEF MACKAY

TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE, Ala.—(S N S)—The tragic aftermath of bitter rivalry for the affection of a freshman coed, Robert James, 17, a high school senior of Tuskegee, Ala., was dead from a knife wound in his heart and Macon county police Saturday were holding eighteen-year old John H. Thompson, a sophomore college student of West Palm Beach, Fla., in the county jail without bond in the fatal stabbing Thursday night.

Funeral services for James whom school officials described as one of the best liked students in the high school were held Saturday afternoon. Interment was in Tuskegee. The event leading up to the slaying were detailed to newspapermen by school officials Saturday.

ROLE OF PRETORIOR  
Thompson, it was said, had met

### Florida Youth Held In Jail Without Bond

the girl, who is also from Florida, when both were passengers on the same train en route to enroll for the fall school term. He had immediately assumed the role of protector and had been her escort at various school activities throughout the year.

James, an outstanding athlete, a member of both the football and basketball teams, was also attracted to the charming freshman girl, whose name was withheld by school authorities.

The rivals met at a dining hall during the noon hour the day of the slaying and after a brief exchange of words, were seen to shake hands. Fellow students seeing the act came to the conclusion that the two had reached an understanding. It was a brief three hours later at the supper hour when Thompson was again seen with the girl, James

walked in the dining hall and began talking to her. As she arose to leave, James was seen to grasp her by the arm, asking "May I assist you?"

Thompson stalked out of the room, apparently angered. Later as James walked toward the library with the girl, Thompson, who is an agricultural student, assigned to the floricultural department, called the high school youth to him, witnesses said.

### BLADE PENETRATES HEART

Just as James approached, Thompson whipped out a knife, used to prune flowers, and plunged it into the youth's left breast, the blade penetrating his heart. James staggered to the street and attempted to hail a passing automobile to carry him to the school hospital. After several had passed, a faculty member seeing the wounded boy's condition, placed him in a car and rushed him to the hospital where he died a few minutes after admission.

Thompson, officials said, walked to the office of Dean E. H. Adams, where he surrendered, handing him

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## Roosevelt Issues 3 Proclamations

WASHINGTON—(S N S)— President Roosevelt, in a move of far-reaching purport Tuesday, proclaimed that "an invasion of predatory incursion is threatened" by Germany and Italy as well as Japan, and issued regulations prescribing conduct of their nationals in this country.

Three proclamations were issued by the Chief Executive and aimed at each of the Axis partners. In the case of Germany and Italy, the proclamation read:

"I, Franklin D. Roosevelt, as President of the United States and commander in chief of the Army and Navy of the United States, do

hereby make public proclamation to all whom it may concern that an invasion or predatory incursion is threatened upon the territory of the United States by Germany (or Italy)."

The regulations also apply to

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## Alcorn A. & M. Gets High "B" Rating

ALCORN, Miss.—(S N S)—Alcorn A. and M. College was approved as a four year Class "B" institution by the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools which convened in Louisville, Kentucky last week. This means that credits from Alcorn College will be accepted without condition by any professional or graduate school which recognizes the Southern Ass'n of Colleges as an Accrediting Agency. Many Mississippi boys and girls who have found it necessary in previous years to leave the state in order to procure the type of training offered in an accredited college may now attend their own state college and receive the same training at less expense.

According to President Bell, work has already started to qualify the institution for an 'A' rating. This will require considerable increase in financial support from the state to provide more adequate salaries and better housing facilities for teachers, a library building, a health and physical education center, a modern hospital, dormitory facilities for young women, a classroom building for home economics and mechanical industries, respectively a dairy building, stock barn, hog barn, improvement of the steam and water distribution system, and a permanent maintenance fund of from \$15,000 to \$20,000 per year.

The curriculum of Alcorn College is varied to meet the needs and interest of all students. However major emphasis is placed upon agriculture, home economics and vocational trades. Courses leading to the Bachelor's Degree in agriculture, arts and sciences, home economics, mechanical arts and teacher education are available.

Alcorn College is the oldest land grant college for Negroes in the United States. The physical plant consists of 900 acres and 52 buildings including 28 cottages for teachers. Seventy-five acres are devoted to the campus, the remainder to fields, pastures and woodland.

W. H. Bell, native Negro of Mississippi is president of the institution, which was first established in 1830 as a Presbyterian supported

college for the training of young white ministers. It was first known as Oakland College, and grew rapidly until the outbreak of the Civil War when the enrollment had reached around 2000 students.

In 1871, during the administration of Gov. James L. Alcorn, the state purchased the institution and dedicated it to the higher education of Negroes. It was named in honor of the governor who was instrumental in executing the transaction.

## President Asks 7-Day Work Week

In The War All The Way—FDR

WASHINGTON—(S N S)—President Roosevelt spoke Tuesday night.

He told Americans just where they stand in this war brought "without warning" by Japan to the people of the United States.

In his world-wide radio address he warned Americans that the war will be "long and hard."

"We are now in this war," he declared. "We are all in it all the way—every single man, woman and child."

NOT IMMUNED  
Continuing, he said: "There is no such thing as security for any nation in a world ruled by cruelty and gangsterism. We have learned that we are not immuned from attack."

President Roosevelt told his listeners "we didn't want to get into the war, but since we are in it we are going to fight it with every thing we've got."

"We are not destroyers; we are builders. We are in the midst of the war not for conquest but to make the world safe for our children. So we are going to win the war and we are going to win the peace that follows—a peace that will make the world safe for democracy."

Mr. Roosevelt pointed out that many nations are fighting "with us."

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## Labor Dispute At Flora Plant Is Averted

JACKSON, Miss.—A budding dispute over jurisdiction rights at the Flora, Mississippi Ordnance Plant was averted after a conference between Mr. John Frock, Vice-President of the O.P.C.I.A., of Middletown, Ohio, and officials of the Ordnance Plant, Tuesday morning. Mr. Frock arriving in Jackson late Monday evening from Middletown, Ohio, coming here at the request of officers of Local 311, of the O.P.C.I.A. of Jackson, who claimed jurisdiction over work at the Flora Ordnance Plant.

For several days a dispute had existed between local 311 of the O.P.C.I.A. and Ordnance plant officials, who had demanded that all work coming under the jurisdiction of the O.P.C.I.A. be done on a 50-50 basis as to colored and white workers.

Officers of Local 311 however

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